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SUBJ: PRESS GUIDANCE ON IDF RETENTION NEGOTIATIONS

REF: USNATO 5540

1. WE DO NOT WISH TO STIMULATE PRESS COMMENT AND DO WANT TO AVOID SITUATION IN WHICH THE US AND ICELAND ARE SEEN IN PRESS STORIES AS ADVERSARIES IN CONFLICT WITH EACH OTHER. THEREFORE, THE LEAST SAID THE BETTER. THIS MEANS THAT, IF QUERIED, WE PROPOSE TO STICK WITH BASIC LINE USED BY UNDER SECRETARY PORTER IN REYKJAVIK; THAT IS, THAT ICELAND IS A SOVEREIGN COUNTRY WHOSE WISHES WE RESPECT. WE HAVE PUT FORWARD CERTAIN PROPOSALS WE THINK COULD SOLVE THE PROBLEM OF A BASE THAT IS IMPORTANT TO WESTERN DEFENSE. BEYOND THAT, THE ONLY POINTS WHICH MAY BE MADE ARE THAT THE TALKS HAVE BEEN FRIENDLY AND USEFUL AND THAT ANOTHER MEETING IS PLANNED IN DECEMBER, DATE AND PLACE TO BE DECIDED. THIS
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2. MISSION SHOULD INFORM ICELANDIC DELEGATION OF WHAT IT
IS AUTHORIZED, IF QUERIED, TO TELL THE PRESS. WE SHOULD
AVOID FURTHER DISCUSSION WITH PRESS OR MEDIA EVEN IF
ICELANDIC SOURCES GO BEYOND THIS GUIDANCE. KISSINGER

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